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## SPECIAL ELECTIONS ISSUE—

### AN OPEN EDITORIAL ADDRESSED TO THE STUDENT BODY

Student Council elections are now at hand and it is time for the student body of Bronx Community College to cast their votes.

At this time, however, we question the basis upon which they will be voting, largely because of the rather slipshod manner in which certain members of the Student Council Elections Committee have been handling their duties.

Rather than working together for the betterment of Student Government at BCC, they have been busying themselves with aiding candidates of their personal preference, which is a violation of the constitution.

Not content with that, they have been engaging in a full-scale, vigilante-type revolt against their chairman.

They have failed to attend meetings called by the chairman for the purpose of formulating rules and procedures for the elections. As a result, the chairman has had to draw up most of the rules himself, only then to be villified by said committee members for taking too much power into his own hands and making regulations without their consent. Committee members who have hardly showed up for any meetings all term have suddenly been breaking all attendance records when it has come to the business of disrupting the committee and attacking the chairman, thus preventing him from excersising his duties with the required support.

It is interesting to note that these members did not serve on the committee last term and have had little or no experience in the

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matter of running elections. The chairman, on the other hand, did serve on the committee last term; the committee which won a plaque from Student Council for outstanding service, in recognition for the excellent manner in which the Fall 1963 elections were organized.

These members have questioned the honesty and integrity of the chairman but have been strangely silent on such questions as:

Who has been forging signatures of approval for certain campaign posters?

Who has been distributing buttons and literature on behalf of certain candidates without their consent and without the approval of the chairman or the sub-committee on campaign publicity?

Who has been tampering with the Elections Committee file?

Why has the Communicator, the independent student press of BCC, been barred from coverage of certain so-called "closed" meetings held by these members?

We believe that the students are entitled to the answers to these questions before they can vote intelligently.

Suffice it is to say that the chairman of the Elections Committee has temporarily suspended himself in order to run for another office. He has made an extremely valiant effort, and often a ticklish one, to make these elections the best ever held at BCC. We applaud his efforts, particularly in light of the fact that certain members of his committee have been doing everything possible to thwart them.

If these elections do turn out to be the best ever held at this college it will be as a result of these efforts.

If these elections prove to be the worst ever held at this college it will be because certain members of the Elections Committee failed to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the duties of their office.

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